



Building for Medical Science and Cures

Public Meetings to Discuss Future Facilities Grants

The Scientific and Medical Research Facilities Working Group (Facilities WG) of the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM) will be holding public sessions to assess the current need for facilities for stem cell research in California. The sessions are a prelude to the development of criteria which will be used to judge applications for CIRM's major facilities grants. (A Request for Applications for those grants is expected to be issued in August 2007.) Specifically, the Working Group is interested in four sets of questions:

1. How can CIRM best distribute its facilities development funds to meet its objectives of scientific research leading to cures?
2. What are the scientific program requirements for future stem cell research and how do they translate into building requirements?
3. What are institutional program requirements and how do they translate into building requirements?
4. What are CIRM's requirements for success, and how should grant applicants respond to those requirements?

In addition to public comments, potential applicants will be afforded the opportunity to present their needs in 10-minute presentations. Contact Pat Beaupre Becker by email at pbecker@cirm.ca.gov or call at 415-396-9105 to secure an appearance reservation no later than the dates indicated below.

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| June 11, 2007 –
Monday | Board Room – State Board of Equalization
450 N. Street (Corner 5th and N Street)
Sacramento, CA
1:00pm to 3:00pm (Appearance reservation required by Thursday, June 7, 2007) |
| June 19, 2007 –
Tuesday | Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina
1380 Harbor Island Drive
San Diego, CA 92101
1:00pm to 3:00pm (Appearance reservation required by Friday, June 15, 2007) |

If you are unable to attend any of these sessions in person, please send written comments or questions to facilities@cirm.ca.gov